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# Johnny Kilbane Wins From Dixon; Refuses To Deliver Knockout Blow

### THE ORIGIN OF A PHRASE Tales Told At the Ringside

- By W. A. Phelon

HE slang expressions which enter our American vocabulary spring up, start, originate, where no one knows. They sweep the country like wildfire, and some pass away like wildfire-others last forever, becoming fundamental parts of daily speech. There are always disputes innumerable as to the real origin of every slang phrase, and innumerable mentialm credit for each invention. "Twenty-three" was claimed as original by 50 men and 20 cities and its real history remains a problem. "Lemon," in its universally accepted sense, was likewise credited with countless birth places and inventors. "All in," now used everywhere and even by the best classes to denote after chaustion or complete depletion of power, was coined in a single moment, though, at a public place, and in the hearing of 1200 people.

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Mike Leonard, called "The Benn Brummel of the ring," was a handsome, dressly fellow, and a clever fighter. In his day, the Beau Brummel could go like a fiery streak, and his reputation for skill, gameness and the punch ranked him among the best. Not the very best—he never gained the McAuliffeteliffo grade among the lightweight stars—but there were few of the second flight who could do anything with handsome Michael.

Time takes its toil of all. The years went by, and Mike Leonard's speed began to go. Like all the other veterans, he falled to realize it. He thought himself still a star, still near a championship classification. When he lost a decision, when he felt leg-weary after a few hot rounds, he thought he had enten something that didn't agree with him, or that he should have trained harder. So he went along, his engagements growing fewer and his victories fewer still. One night, he was matched to meet one Peter Boyle, a fast lightweight who, a few years previously, couldn't have even got a draw. Never supposing that there could be any change in the relative classes he and Boyle had held in former years, Leonard scrambled into the ring, and was soon invalved in an awful flock of gloves. Boyle stormed and took him inside of two minutes, and Mike barely wenthered the first round. In the second Boyle slew him as he liked. Then, discovering the helplessness of the veteran, the kindly, goodhearted Boyle let up, and contented himself with feinting and simpling. The crawd hooted, and my went the old cry, "Take him off?"

Hostilitles were stopped by the referee. Mike Leonard walked to the front of the ring, and lifted his hand for allence, "Genflemen," said he, "I shall never low again. Five put all my years him the game: Five put all my thought, my energy, my science in—and now, well, I guess I, myself, am all in. Thank you, and good night."

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# Big Leagues Should Enforce Contracts

Clubs Often Consider Agreements Matter of Form to Loss of Players-One Year Contracts Would Settle Problem. -By DAMON RUNYON -

Roger P. Bresnahan signed a contract with the management of the St. Louis Cardinals to lead that club for a period of five years.

"The league should prohibit contracts being entered into for over a year at a time, and Insist that each management live up to its side of that agreement." of the St. Louis Cardinals to lead that club for a period of five years. The compensation is immaterial. It asw satisfactory to both parties at the time the contract was made and the Cardinal management was mighty anxious to get Roger's signature to the aureement. He was summarily dis-missed long before the expiration of

the contract.

We hold no brief for the erstwhile Duke of St. Louis; we grant that there may have been reasons why his managerial regime in the Mound City should terminate, but we do contend that it is high time for the National league to definitely classify contracts entered into ir good faith as business transactions, and force the managements to live up to them to the last farthing.

they are written on, save as concerns the magnates' interests. Time and ngain it has been demonstrated that a written agreement between a player or

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expense to present his case against the St. Louis club, and in the end the best he will get is a compremise unless he goes to a civil court and tests the question of whether a baseball contract for services rendered has yet attained the proportions of a serious. tained the proportions of a serious business agreement, or is to remain a mere matter of form.

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Ray Fisher should be one of the very best splt ball pitchers in the American league. He reported late last year and never sot into condition, because he very rarely worked. Whey he was not oftener used is something we cannot answer. He is a fellow who must have plenty of work to be at his best.

If the new manager of the lanks, whoever he may be, makes the Vermont school teacher toll with about the same fequency as Ed Waish next season, the fans will be speaking the name of Fisher with considerable respect by the middle of the campaign. 4 4 4

Harry McCormick, the Brickley of baseball, is the sole survivor of the Glants on the Island of Manhattan at this time. Very frequently the noted pinch hitting device finds himself wondering why he is sticking around, anyway.

JOE JEANETTE WANTS TO FIGHT WITH AL PALZER TO FIGHT WITH AL PALZER

New York, N. Y. Dec. 13.—It has been decided once for all, that Joe Jeanette, the Hoboken pugilist, is not going to Australia, and through no fault of his or his manager, Dan Mc-Ketrick. McKetrick says:

"Joe will likely be a very busy boy for the next few months at least. I am trying to induce that socalled white hope champion, Al Palzer, to meet Joe, but up to the present I have not succeeded. I see that All is going to claim the title of champion heavyweight pugilist. He and his manager can claim all they want, but he will never be recognized as a champion until he defeats Joe, and that he can never do and he knows it."

REVOLVER TEAMS COMPETE. Springfield, Mass. Dec. 13.—Returns from six rounds in the indoor league race of the United States Revolver association, which started a month ago, show that only five teams have escaped defeat so far. These teams are Manhattan, of New York City: Spokane, Denver, Golden Gate, of San Francisco, and Boston.

### TY COBB MAY COME HERE WITH MINSTRELS

Has Been Offered Position by "Honey Boy" George Evans-Corbeit Was Once With the Company.

Ty Cobb, the famous centerfielder of the Detroit American league team, muy be a member of George Evans's "Honey Boy" minstrels when they make their initial appearance before an El Paso audience at the El Paso theater on December 21 and 22.

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He has been tendered a contract by the "Honey Boy," and Cobb has faithfully promised Evans that if he decides to ge behind the footlights this season it will be as a member of his troup of blackface funmakers. Cobb is eagar to join the minstrels, but has been prevented from doing so thus far because of the objections of his wife, a Detroit heiress.

If Cobb does sign the contract, he will appear during the olio with a monolog. He will also appear for a brief period in the first part. "The Floral Bower," in the role of interlocutor. Should Cobb sign up with the "Honey Boy" minstrels he will be the second person famous in the athletic world to have been a member of this company, as James J. Corbett, erstwhile heavyweight champion of the world, was its interlocutor two years ago.

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Cobb and Corbett were both members of a syndicate headed by the
"Honey Boy" that recently sought to
purchase the stock in the Philadelphia National league club of its owner,
Horace Fogel. Fogel made the "Honey
Boy" a telegraphic offer of his holdings for the sum of \$360,000 cash and
\$175,000 paper. When Corbett, who
conducted the negotiations for the
syndicate, saw his way clear to raising this sum of money, Fogel suddenly
withdrew his offer. The syndicate
holds the impression that Charles P.
Taft, a brother of the president, was
responsible for this change in the attitude of Fogel.

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Cobb and Evans are intimate friends, and the former for the past four years has won the handsome and costly silver loving cup hung up by the "Honey Boy" as a trophy for the world's champion batsman. The only other time a prize of this kind was offered for the leading batter of the two major leagues, it was won by John "Honus" Wagner, shortstop of the Pittsburg "Pirates."

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The generosity of the "Honey Boy" in presenting cups to champion batsmen has not been confined this year to the major leagues, as already he has given prizes to Looey Bierbauer, champion hitter of the Canadian league, and Danny Kerwin, the leading batsman of the Three I league. In the spring he will give another to the champion batsman of the Pacific Coast league.

In the opinion of president Ebbetts of the Brooklyn ball club a prize has been landed in Benny Myers of the To-

been landed in Benny Myers of the Toronto club.

"Myers is a very aggressive ball player," said Ebbetts. "He is of the glugery type—the kind every ball club is after these days. The presence of a man like Myers injects a lot of 'pep' in the other players and we can use one of his kind in Brooklyn. Last season for Toronto he batted \$28. He is a right handed batter and is fast on the bases. Myers will help Brooklyn greatly. As to where Myers will play, that is up to Dahlen."

Spitballers and left handers are the

Spitballers and left handers are the most erratic heavers as indicated by the National league records. Chency had 18 wild pitches, Benton, 12; Tyler, 13; Donnelly, 10; Marcuard, 9.

Two more Cubans, brothers, will break into big league baseball next spring—one of them with the world champion Red Sox. He is Thomas Calvo, an infleider. His brother, Jacinto is an outfielder. Washington gets him. Both boys have been playing with the Alemendares club of Havans, known in Cuba as the "Alacranes," or "scorpions."

Freddie Hicks, the Detroit middle-weight will meet Bill Brown at Yonkers, N. Y., on Dec. 16. He is mak-ing arrangements for a trip to Paris after the first of the year. He ex-pects to get on with Billy Papke.

WOMAN NOW OWNS NEW YORK GIANTS

New York, N. Y., Dec. 13.—The New York baseball team, champions of the National league for the last two sea-



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sons and probably the most profitable

KILBANE HAS EASY

VICTORY OVER DIXON

JOHNSON IS FINED \$50.

Chicago III., Dec. 13.—Jack Johnson was fined \$50 and costs by municipal judge Goodnow on the charge of assaulting a newspaper photographer with a cane several weeks ago in front of the county juli as Johnson was being led to a cell manacled to a deputy marghal.

spring he will give another to the clampion batsman of the Pacific Coast league.

A Little Sport; A Little Gossip

Fred Taral, the former jockey, is in sufficient and player, one whose sole amount of whition will be to show the Cardinal owners—and incidentally the entire baseball world—just what sort of an asset they have trifled with.

Pitcher Hendrix. of the Piratos, is one of the best batting pitchers in the major league, so good, in fact, that manager Clarke is scriously contempalating making a regular outfielder of him.

In the opinion of president Ebbetts of the Brooklyn ball club a prize has in the first of the proper transported by the prize has been determined by the solic pay a big price for the right boy, but if doubt if there is one left in this of the Brooklyn ball club a prize has in the first prize of the proper transport. The following is the lineup: Cactus — Hall, Hoover, forwards; Reas, center; Bowden, Hilbirn, guards. High school—P. Masters, Kilburn, forwards: Sea, center; Bowden, Hilbirn, guards. High school—P. Masters, Kilburn, forwards: Sea, center; Bowden, Hilbirn, guards. High school—P. Masters, Kilburn, forwards: Sea, center; Bowden, Hilbirn, guards. High school—P. Masters, Kilburn, forwards: Sea, center; Bowden, Hilbirn, guards. High school—P. Masters, Kilburn, forwards: Sea, center; Bowden, Hilbirn, guards. High school—P. Masters, Kilburn, forwards: Sea, center; Bowden, Hilbirn, guards. High school—P. Masters, Kilburn, forwards: Sea, center; Bowden, Hilbirn, guards. High school—P. Masters, Kilburn, forwards: Sea, center; Bowden, Hilbirn, guards. High school—P. Masters, Kilburn, forwards: Sea, center; Bowden, Hilbirn, guards. High school—P. Masters, Kilburn, forwards: Sea, center; Bowden, Hilbirn, guards. High school—P. Masters, Kilburn, forwards: Sea, center; Bowden, Hilbirn, guards. High school—P. Masters, Kilburn, forwards: Sea, center; Bowden, Hilbirn, as letters of the forwards: Sea, center; Bowden, Hilbirn, as setters of the forwards: Sea, center; Mea, Walker, Sea, center; Bowden

MeGRAW IS LAST TO WAIVE HIS CLAIM ON FRANK CHANCE. sany decision over Tommy Dixon, of Kansus City, here last night. The fight went the scheduled eight rounds, but in the final round Dixon was in such distress that Kilbane refused to hit him the blow that would have knocked MIDDIES GET DEMERITS FOR BETTING ON FOOTBALL GAME.

DIXON TO MEET BRESNAHAN.

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### SIGNING UP THE DESERT FOR AUTOS

Automobile Club of Southern Call-fornia Will Provide a Safe Pathway Where Danger Lurks.

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After many months of planning and preparation, the Automobile club of southern California, in conjunction with the state authorities, has begun the work of making clearly defined pathways through such sections of the desert lands of the state as motorists are likely to traverse. This will consist of so placing ndequate signs every five miles that the automobilist will at all times know just where and how to travel.

At present, there are 2870 miles of desert roads in the countles of Kern, inyo. San Bernardino, Riverside, Imperial, San Diego and Loss Angeles. The deserts which these roads traverse are the Mojave, Death Valley, Chuckawalla and imperial. The latter should not be confounded with the fertile and prosperous Imperial Valley.

Heretofore, in all these sections of desert country there have only been some 50 signs for motorists, these principally in San Bernardino county. The purpose of the new signs is not only to direct the motorist along the right road but to tell him where he cam find nearby springs and water holes, directions as to locating these being explicit.

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These signs will be 18 inches square, of No. 16 gage galvanized annealed steel, set crosswise on 2 1-2 inch rounded steel galvanized hollow posts. Each post will be anchored with a cross of the same material as the pole itself.

### CACTUS QUINTET WINS FROM HIGH

Team and ladividual Work in Passing and Dribbling Ball Results in Many Baskets-Students Miss Robertson. The Cactus basketball quintet easily

half.
P. Masters played forward in the place of Louis Robertson, the crack forward of the high school, whose absence was sorely felt by the high

Dec. 18—Tommy Murphy vs. Young Brown lightweight, Royale A. C. Dec. 21—Young Leroy vs. Willie War-ren, featherweight, Irving A. C. Dec. 25—Jack Britton vs. Young Ahearn, welterweight, Royale A. C.

HIS CLAIM ON FRANK CHANCE.

New York, N. Y. Dec 12.—There is nothing now to prevent Frank Chance. former manager of the Chicago Nationals, from signing a contract to manage the New York Americans, according to an announcement that a telegram had been received from manager McGraw of the New York Nationals, waiving his claim on his long time rival in the league pennant fights. The New York club was the last of the National league clubs to waive.

Annapolis, Md. Dec. 13.—Punishment, consisting of demerits and the deprivation of all privileges for the rest of the academic year was assigned to 400 midshipmen, who were found to have violated superintendent Gibbona's order forbidding betting on the recent inter-service football game at Philadelphia.

It is understood the youths practically confessed to having participated in the formation of \$2000 pool to wager with the West Point cadets on the result of the game. Omaha, Neb., Dec. 13.—Tommy Dixon, of Kansas City, and Tommy Bresnahan, of South Omaha, are matched to fight 16 rounds before the Aksarben Athletic club of South Omaha, Dec. 23. The men will fight at 126 pounds.

## Giants Will Not Move From Marlin

McGraw Denies Reports That New York Nationals Will Open Camp at Galveston-Does Not Like the Snow Circuit.

York club's plans for conditioning ular season.

believe in letting well enough they come north in better condition than teams which roam around the alone," was manager McGraw's r to a query concerning the New snow circuit before opening the rea-

York club's plans for conditioning the Giants next spring.

"We have no cause to be dissatisfied with Marlin as a training camp," said the manager, "and I have never seriously contemplated a shift. I have noticed several stories in the papers about us leaving Marlin flat and taking a chance on some unknown spot and climate, but there's nothing to it —just some boom towns in western Texas trying to get a little advertising."

This statement by the manger sets at rest the rumors that have been flying about that the National lengue champions would go to Gaiveston or Havans for spring training.

"Getting a jump on the field in the spring is the thing that has kept the Giants in every pennant fight since we started to train in Texas," comments McGraw. "We have not always won, and sometimes we not always won, and sometimes we had our hardest fight in midsummer or early fail, but it is a fact that we never have been left at the post. The Giants al-The New York club figures a train-

### Harvard Will Lose Four Football Stars

Graduation Will Remove Varsity Men and Substitutes-Princeton Will Have Many Regulars to Fill the Gaps.

Many Regulars to Fill the Gaps.

Note WYORK, N. Y., Dec. 13.—It looks as though Harvard, the football champion of 1912, will be the chief sufferer by graduation to its stars before next year rolls around, and that Princeton, which finished last among the big three this year will be the most fortunate in that respect. In other words everything points to the leading trio being more evenly matched when they toe the scratch for the 1913 supremacy race.

Four men now who rank among the foremost cogs in the machine that ground out a Crimson kingship the past season will be among the assentees when the rewelle is sounded at Cambridge next fail. They are captain Percy Wendell, Sam Felton, the remarkable punter and end Bobby Gardner, the heady quarterback, the Parmenter, who pluyed a star game at center. In addition there are Lawson, Bradley, Hollister, Lingard, Graustein, Frothingham, Driscoil and Tom Hardwick to get their diplomas. These men all were high grade substitutes, and all of them good cnough to be regulars on any Harvard team of modern times with the exception of the one most remarkable eleven Harvard ever put on a field, the one of the season just gone by.

Of course there will be Brickley, Pennock, Trumbuil, O'Brien, and a number of fair substitutes left, but the team will have to draw largely upon new candidates. Mahan, the starback of the freshman team, will be

LEADERS TIED IN BACE. New York, N. Y., Dec. 13 .- With the Suter brothers and Carman-Loftens team still trailing two laps in the rear the 12 leaders in the six day bloycle race were tied at 2,007 miles, 8 laps, at 8 oclock this morning, the 104th hour. This is seven miles, six laps behind the record for the hour laps behind the made last year.

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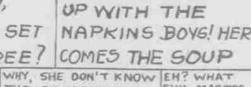


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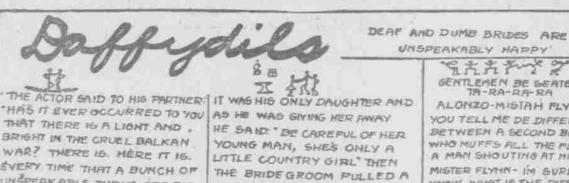












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NAPKINS BOYS! HERE

Rucker, the Brooklyn southpaw, uncorked the greatest number of shutouts last season, with Suggs of the Reds and O Toole of the Pirates next, with five each. Benton of the Reds hit the greatest number of batters, 18. Suggs yielded the greatest number of hits, 320, O Toole was the most generous heaver, doling out 159 passes, while —Advertisement.











